

REMARKS

By Communication dated October 3, 2003, and a Notice to Comply With Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, the Examiner has requested that the sequences present in the application be identified by specific sequence identifiers. Further, the Examiner has requested that a substitute paper copy and a computer readable format (CRF) copy of the sequence listing originally filed in this application be submitted.

Applicant respectfully submits that the sequences disclosed in the application are identified by specific sequence identifiers. More specifically, Applicant has amended the Brief Description of the Drawings such that the description of Figure 18 now recites specific sequence identifiers for the amino acid sequences of mouse and human resistin disclosed in the figure as filed. The amendment adds no new matter as the sequences and their sequence identifiers were properly disclosed elsewhere in the application as filed, but the SEQ ID Nos. had not been recited in the brief description of the figure.

Per the Examiner's request, Applicant further submits a substitute paper and computer readable format (CRF) copy of the sequence listing originally filed in this application. The substitute paper and the CRF copy of the sequence listing add no new matter to the present application, but merely provide an identical copy of the original sequence listing previously filed in the application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the above-referenced application fully complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 - § 1.825.

Summary

Applicant respectfully submits that each of claims 1 through 81 is in condition for allowance. Examination and allowance of each of these claims are respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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Substitute CRF copy of the sequence listing
Substitute Paper copy of the sequence listing
Statement to Support Filing and Submission